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First composite pictorial layout of the 15 majestic Mormon temples, with years dedicated (top left, clockwise: Idaho Falls (1954), New Zealand (1958), Oakland (1964), Manti (1888), London (1958), Cardston (1923), Hawaii (1919), Ogden (\*), St. George (1877), Switzerland (1955), Logan (1884), Provo (\*), Los Angeles (1956), Mesa (1927). Center: Salt Lake City (1893). (\*) Not yet completed.

# The President's Message

By Ray Knell



#### Two Major Projects Before SUP

S YOUR new president I wish to express my sincere appreciation for your confidence, realizing the tremendous responsibility that this position carries. With the outstanding group of officers and with the help of all members I am sure that we will have a very successful year.

I am sure also that all members of The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers join with me in congratulating President Francis L. Christensen and the other retiring officers who served with him, for a job well done in directing the affairs of our organization during the year ending August 23, 1968.

As your president, I hope we can make the coming year just as successful and that our goals can all be achieved; the most important and foremost at this time being our pledge to finance the Mormon Battalion Monument to be erected in 1969 at San Diego.

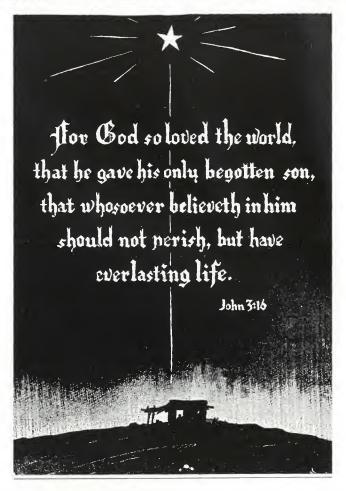
I have felt for many years that the SUP should have a project or projects which I am sure would tie us together and make a much stronger organization. This is why last year that we decided to take on this all important project erecting the Mormon Battalion Monument. I can think of no other project that would be more important to us at this time.

I urge all members who have not already done so, to take advantage of the opportunity of increasing their esteem for their noble pioneers by joining their fellow Sons of the Utah Pioneers in making a contribution to help finance this fitting monument honoring the Mormon Battalion.

Even with the many problems which confront our nation and the world today, the United States of America is still the best land on earth. Let's all do our part to keep it this way by serving the Lord, because we are told that "This will always be a land of freedom if we will but serve the God of this land who is Jesus Christ."

I would like to urge therefore, that every member and his wife take advantage of this opportunity as a citizen of the United States to vote at the election Nov. 5th.

There are grave and momentous decisions to be made at the polls this coming election day, especially in Utah, and if the wrong decision is made, it could well be the fault of those who failed to exercise their precious franchise as American citizens.



### Some Thoughts To Go By

HERE are a few words of wisdom: Never let difficulty stop you, for it may be only your sidetrack to stop you from skidding.

Use the talents you possess, for the woods would be very silent if no birds sang except the best.

A train of thought is a good thing if it is going somewhere. . .

Never tell your friends anything you don't want your enemies to know.

One of the ways to reach a ripe old age is to stop feeling responsible for the whole human race. The graveyards are full of those who have tried it.

Don't look for a ship to come in if you haven't sent one out. . .

You can't change the past, but you can ruin the present by worrying over the future.

A man could save twenty years of his life by studying the experiences of others.

If what you did yesterday still looks big to you, you haven't done much today.

#### The Leaning Places

There is much of philosophy and common sense in the prayer of the old Virginia Negro pastor who used to plead: "Oh, Lord, please prop us up in all our leaning places!"

"Master of Ceremonies," by Les Goates



### Life In The Early Settlements

UCH HAS BEEN AND and written about the heart-breaking disappointment experienced by the first Mormon pioneers to view the long-her-alded "Promised Valley." That they were to make this seemingly-desolate mountain basin their home, instead of going to to lush "Northern California" as it had been described to them, was one of their greatest disappointments.

Yet, there was, as always, the brighter side. The peace and quiet of the place, especially in the early Utah settlements, appealed to all who had suffered such terrifying violence in the early days of the Church. Parley P. Pratt, eloquent writer and one of the apostles, has given this graphic pen picture of this abrupt change:

All is quiet-stillness. No elections, no police reports, no murders, no wars in our little world. How quiet, how still, how peaceful, how happy, how lonesome, how free from excitement we live. The legislation of our High Council, the decision of some judge or court of the Church, a meeting, a dance, a visit. . . of an Indian, or perhaps. . . mail from the distant world once or twice a year, is all that breaks up the monotony of our busy and peaceful life. No policemen or watchmen of any kind have been on duty to guard us from external or internal danger. Oh what a life we live! It is the dream of the poets actually fulfilled.

The same isolation which charmed Brother Parley also brought famine to equally humble newcomers. One gifted singer, John J. Davies, reports in his journal (exact words and punctuation), an incident of famine in North Ogden, the winter of 1855-56:

Now I will Say a few words about the Grasshoppers war. They destroyed nearly all the Crops in the Northern Settlements and bread Stuff was very Sceres. Many had to dig roots to Sustain life I had to do that myself. I went to the field to watter my corn I go every weekand Started for home and when I got to the house I met my little daughter, Martha, in the door and she asked me for some Some bread and there was no bread in the house. This was a trying time for us. I took a Sack and Started out and Said I will get Some flower before I'll Come back. I went to Sister Marler all She had in the house was twenty pounds of flower and one lofe of bread. She gave me half of what She had in the house and When I got home my wife Smiled. Then we had a good breakfast.

### When The 'Dark Angel' Beckons

AN OLD, OLD MAN, told by his doctor that it was now time for him to die, replied that he was ready, that he didn't mind the change at all, that he had never known the fear of God nor the dread of death, although he confessed that the slow process of dying is tough business. "I don't mind being dead," said he, "but the getting dead can get pretty rough."

"When the lights of earth go out," the old man mused, "we stand pretty much alone. Everything is out of our hands then. It is us to Him after that and, as it says in the Bible, 'The eternal God is thy refuge,

and underneath are the everlasting arms'.

It would be a good thing if the rest of us who are NOT about to die, had this same, simple faith. How many have this inner peace instead of the dull, lazy, indifferent attitude of our day? After all, such a faith is the only real security there is in the world. "Thou shalt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee." (Isaiah 26:3)

The old gentleman, about to get away from it all, has the answer. He has found freedom from fear, doubt, pain and torments of the mind. He has found that through his faith in God, he is able to endure

anything that life can deal out to him.

Death will have no claim on such as he. The Dark Angel will come for him very soon, but to him this will be like passing through a veil, out of one small, dusky room in his Father's house, into another that is larger and brighter-glorious and divinely satisfying. It will be the dark room in which he will do a quick change and go out again for the next act.

In view of these facts why is it that so many of us spend a lifetime in dread of death? Yet, many valiant souls have risen above this prejudice. To Socrates death was "the great adventure." Plato said is was 'an escape from error, unreason and wild passion.' To Paul is was "rest, release, reunion." To Jesus, is was "going to my Father."

So, to this old, old man, who so calmly waits, the Dark Angel will be a messenger of mercy, coming like a gentle mother when work is done, to rock a

little boy to sleep.

# Thoughts For Today

AN'S success or failure, happiness or misery, depend upon what he seeks and what he chooses.-Pres. David O. McKay.

If man is to be rewarded for righteousness and punished for evil, then common justice demands that

he be given the power of independent action.

Whether youth's contributive acts will be progressive or retrogressive, cultural or beastly, will depend largely upon the kind of training given by those who place the carry-on banner in their hands.

Government represents the authority of the group to enforce the will of the group upon its indi-

vidual members.

#### MORMON BATTALION ON THE MARCH

# Camp Floyd Plaque Unveiling Feature Project

By COL. MARVIN E. SMITH
Commanding Officer, Mormon
Battalion

Three former SUP presidents and the former director of the Utah State Parks Commission enhanced the unveiling of the Philip St. George Cooke plaque at Camp Floyd, Utah County, on Sept. 21. Harold H. Jenson, national historian; Dr. Vosco Tanner and Lorenzo Summerhays added dignity and prestige to the occasion. It was also significant to have Aldin O. Hayward, Bountiful, to provide firsthand information regarding the establishment of Camp Floyd and the story of the Stage Coach Inn as part of the Utah State Parks system.

Col. Élias L. Day of the Mormon Battalion and the Utah State Guard was the featured speaker. He eulogized Col. Philip St. George Coke in whose honor the plaque was placed, as a splendid soldier, loyal and devoted American and a fine Christian gentleman. Col. Cooke led the Mormon Battalion in 1846 on a 2,000-mile military march from Fort Leavenworth to San Diego where the Mormon outfit claimed the entire Southwest Territory for the

United States.



Photo by LeGrand Asay

James Carson and Sophronia DuBois were honored for their part in procuring the plaque.



The newly-dedicated Philip St. George Cooke plaque at Camp Floyd, unveiled Sept. 21.

Some 11 years later under Albert Sidney Johnston he assisted in the establishment of Camp Floyd in 1860. Col. Cook was head of the Military Department of the Territory of Utah.

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#### MANY HELPFUL HANDS

Special honors were awarded Sophronia DuBois and James Carson at the ceremonies. Sgt. Kenneth P. Rasmussen of the SUP Landmarks Committee was general chairman and master of ceremonies. A chartered bus took battalion and SUP members from Salt Lake to Fairfield where a picnic was held during a band concert by the Lehi Silver Band under the direction of Clell Jackson. Prayers were given by Franklon E. Seal of the Temple Quarry and Major Virgil H. Peterson MB chaplain.



Sheldon R. Brewster and the Temple Quarry Chapter president, assisted the past national officers in the unveiling. Dr. Everett L. Cooley, state historian, had approved in advance the accuracy of the data on the plaque.

Members of the Lehi Battalion took the lead in the flag ceremonies with Vernon Curtis leading with the pledge of allegiance. A gun salute was fired by Jay G. Cox, John Bushman and Verne

Thurber.

#### LEHI MUSEUM DEDICATION

A most notable event occurred Sept. 22 when the John Hutchings Museum at Lehi, was dedicated by Chaplain Virgil H. Peterson of the Mormon Battalion and counselor in the presidency of the Lehi Stake, Governor Calvin L. Rampton was the main speaker. He paid high tribute to the Hutchings family, particularly John and Eunice Colledge Hutchings for the foresight and dedication in collecting the countless relics, artifacts and curios on display at the museum.

Other speakers included Mr. Hutchings, Lehi Mayor Calvin Swenson and Raymond Stewart, president of the museum board of trustees. J. Ronald Halliday sang.

The Mormon Battalion was honored to assist with the flag ceremony. Flag bearers were Vernon Curtis, John Bushman and Bill Erickson. Officers in uniform from Salt Lake City, Orem and Provo were Col. S. Richardson Keddington, finance officer; M. Verne Thurber, Stewart E. Smith and Marvin E. Smith. Mayor Verl Dixon of Provo paid his respects by attending this memorable event.

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# Plaque Dedicated At Camp Floyd For Colonel Cooke

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ON TO HAWAII

Plans are now being completed for the much-anticipated pilgrimage to Hawaii, sponsored by the Mormon Battalion, leaving Salt Lake City, Feb. 27, 1969, and returning Feb. 8. In the interest of time and expense, it has been suggested that the trip be made by air, both ways. Arrangements have been made to visit four islands and attend a session of the Latter-day Saints Temple. Members and friends from Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, California and Oregon may arrange to join the group at Los Angeles.

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The San Diego Mormon Battalion Monument Fund is growing steadily. We are grateful for the support that has been given but more support is needed. New SUP president Ray Knell of Cedar City has stressed this need on his message to SUP members in this edition of The Pioneer. The battalin command is backing the project to the utmost.

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Survival in its many aspects is suggested as a course of study for both the battalion and SUP groups. This subject is both pertinent and timely.

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Lieut. S. Roy Chipman is steadily improving in health after a recent operation. We are glad for him and grateful for his many services to the battalion.

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The Mormon Battalion assisted in dedicating the Col. Cooke plaque and the Stage Coach Inn at Camp Floyd.

# Historical Highlights

By Harold H. Jenson

Without doubt the greatest single contribution ever to honor the memory of the Mormon pioneers, including those who were called to serve with the Mormon Battalion, was the superb production of "Promised Valley" 'this summer and last, in the new Temple View Outdoor Theater.

Approximately 175,000 persons, mostly tourists this year witnessed the 56 performances. It was a superb vehicle in getting at least one important phase of the Mormon story before Salt Lake's visitors. A laurel sprig must go to the Young Men's and Young Women's Mutual Improvement Associations, especially the musical staffs, for this excellent production.

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Congratulations to Pres. Kate B. Carter and the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers for erecting a most impressive and appropriate monument to the late Mrs. Hilda Anderson Erickson, 108, last of the 80,000 Mormon pioneers who crossed the plains prior to the coming of the railroads in 1869.

A 10-ton granite slab with bronze plaque was dedicated by Elder LeGrand Richards.

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Sons of the Utah Pioneers will want to wish Dr. Everett Cooley, former executive secretary of the Utah Historical Society every success in his new position as instructor in history at the University of Utah. No man ever worked harder than Dr. Cooley to make Utah history live. His work on the Utah Historical Quarterly was superb.

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Here is a real devotee of SUP and enthusiastic subscriber to The Pioneer: Loran L. Libbey, a young missionary from Cathedral City, Calif., recently called upon our good secretary T. Mack Wool at Pioneer Village, to renew his membership in SUP and his subscription to the magazine. Elder Libbey directed that the magazine be sent to his mother with the understanding that she would forward it to him when she has read it. Pretty good idea, is it not for other young men who are going away.

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# Our Readers Write

#### Corrections On Museums Article

Today Mr. James D. Moyle, chairman of the board, called me relative to an article that appeared in the July-August issue of Pioneer Magazine relative to entrance fees charges at Utah museums, historical sites, and monuments within the state park system.

He mentioned several things in the article which apparently were

Appreciates Nod To Life Members

That was a splendid convention and the result of some excellent planning and direction by Milton Backman and his fine committee. They had some tough breaks but overcame them admirably.

The call at the President's Banquet for all life members to stand and be recognized was a good deal. It was recognition long overdue. Perhaps similar recognition in the future will help to recruit new life members. Could we not all sit together at the Ogden banquet next year?

J. Rulon Morgan's suggestion that life members get busy and update their biographies and that of their pioneer ancestors, is a good place to start. The Pioneer, I am sure would welcome more short biographies, with photos to use on its Profiles Page. Let us get busy on these projects.

The acceptance speech of Ray Knell, our new president, was exceptionally fine. He made us all feel proud to belong to such a fine organization as the Sons of the Utah Pioneers.

-J. Sedley Stanford Life Member No. 83

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Chapter Kenneth P. Rasmussen.... Trail and Landmarks incorrect, and he wished to have them correctd in a subsequent issue of the magazine; therefore, this letter to you.

Entrance fees continue to be collected at the Brigham Young, Jacob Hamblin and Old Capitol, and Stage Coach Inn Historic sites. They were not discontinued at any time since being placed in effect in 1965. While the Coordinating Council did act in the direction of possible elimination of these fees, the board of our division felt that this was a matter within its own powers, and, therefore, did not accept the recommendation of the council.

At the Vernal Museum of Natural History, there are no charges and none had been initiated, although this has been a matter under consideration by our division for some time. There are no fee charges at the Pioneer Monument.

Entrance fee collections do not involve any costs since no additional personnel are employd for that purpose. The same people who administer the units involved, who would be there anyway whether fees were collected or not, do the collecting.

I hope that these corrections will clarify the erroneous impressions that no doubt resulted from the aforementioned article, and that you will find it possible to publish them.

Sincerely,

F. C. Koziol, Director

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#### 'Bandleader of Zion'

# Ballo Victim Of Hardships

Little Dominico Ballo, the Sicilian musician who followed his Church to Utah, died a victim of frontier hardships. Perhaps he came too soon. It is true, as Benjamin Franklin once wrote to another struggling artist, that "the arts have always traveled west-ward, and there is no doubt of their flourishing hereafter on our side of the Atlantic." But Thomas Iefferson had seen the sequence of growth when he obsrved that "the first object of young societies is bread and covering." Little Ballo discovered that little fingers had to carry hod and lay bricks before they could manipulate the keys of a clarinet.

Dominico Ballo was born on the island of Sicily, March 22, 1805, and landing in New York at the age of 18, he soon married a lady from Virginia, nine years his senior. She joined the Mormon Church in 1843 and he followed her convictions by seeking baptism in 1847. They journeyed to Salt

Lake in 1851.

"As may be imagined, the state of the country at that time forbade much indulgence in music; all talents were devoted to the gaining of a livelihood; and Ballo, as well as the rest, was forced to direct his energy to satisfying the sterner wants," Horace G. Whitney later concluded. Ballo's occupation consisted of making adobes and later working as hod carrier, although he was frequently in want.

#### Band and Church Orchestra

He organized a band of twenty players, and a church orchestra which consisted of a violin, cello, trumpet, flute and clarinet. Practices, lessons and concerts all took

place at night.

The minutes of the Deseret Dramatic Association, of February, 1856, strike a pathetic note. "John M. Jones, first violinist of the orchestra, reported that Ballo has written much music for the orchestra and is in need of food. The buying of ten dollars' worth which would be eight or ten pieces was finally referred to President Brigham Young." It was this same or-

#### BUILDING THE BATTALION MONUMENT

## "Let Us Get The Job Done!"

Success comes from doing the right thing at the right time. For the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, the right thing to do is to raise the \$18,000.00 needed to erect the Mormon



Eugene Watkins

Battalion Monument, which in 1969 is to be unveiled as a part of the 200th Anniversary celebration of the founding of San Diego, where the Mormon Battalion spent the winter of 1846-47.

For the members of The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers who have not yet made a contribution to make possible this historical monument the right time to make their contribution is NOW!

Our noble pioneers never shirked their responsibility. As descendants of these courageous noble leaders, we must not fail to meet our responsibility. The of-

ficers and members of The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers who have made their contributions are counting on you who have to date overlooked your responsibility to make your con-

tribution immediately.

As members of The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, we have a great responsibility in erecting this magnificent monument. Alibis never win! That which is worth dong at all is worth doing well! Let us get the job done! Remember, every member a contributor.

chestra which he directed at the dedication of the Social Hall, Saturday, January 1, 1853.

Ballo never displayed any bitterness over his lot. When asked once why he did not "bear his testimony" in meetings, he replied in broken English: "I bear my testimony with this," and lovingly fingered his clarinet. At rehearsals his manner was always kindly, notwithstanding his superior skill as a graduate of the Milan Conservatory in Italy, and employment as bandmaster at Westpoint Military Academy. He would suspend his baton upon occasion, and say, "Flattee, Brother Clayton; sharpee, Brother Spills."

Would Have Been Star By 1880, Horace Whitney could

say:
"In the musical world of today he would have been a shining mark, and a performer of his excellence on the clarinet would have been enabled to command such a living as would have given him every opportunity to nourish and develop those talents with which he was so rarely gifted. He preferred, however, to forsake all such prospect for the sake of his convictions; and the dreams of promotion in this world he could easily abandon for the assurance of an eternal life in a better one to come.'

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#### Henderson Cox

# A Mormon Battalion Casualty

By Wayne Stout

Henderson Cox, one of the victims of "Tragedy Spring," joined the Mormon Battalion July 16, 1846, and met a martyr's fate, June 27, 1848, the fourth anniversary of Joseph Smith's tragedy.

Henderson Cox, born November 6, 1829, Warren County, Indiana, the fourth child of Jehu Cox and Sarah Pyle (daughter of Edward G. Pyle), the parents of 16 children, joined the Mormon Church in August, 1843, at Nauvoo, Illinois.

During the summer of 1846, Henderson, age 16, assisted his parents to make the journey across the state of Iowa. There were ten children in the family at that time. Arriving at the Missouri River, the Coxes found the camps of "Israel" in a state of flux. The organization of the Mormon Battalion was in full swing. The prospect of adventure was more than Henderson could resist. Burning with patriotism for his country, Henderson promptly enlisted, age 16 years and 8 months. His father was left with 9 children, and no sons old enough to be of any assistance. After four days of instructions and pep talks, Henderson, of Company A, left for Fort Leavenworth, never again to be seen by his parents.

#### Employed at Sutters

Henderson made the long historical march across the southwest to California where he was discharged, late in 1847. Having completed this mission his next objective was to join his family whom he knew were en route to the Great Basin. From San Diego he went to Sutter's Mill where he found employment.

Henderson was surprised like the rest of the world when gold was discovered January 24, 1848. It is possible to believe that Henderson was one of the men who made the actual discovery. Fantastic or real, the implication gives the family a sense of importance. The discovery was a turning point in American History.



Tragedy Springs . . . honors M.B.

Henderson worked at the mill for several months. Unknown to him, was the fact that his grandfather, Edward G. Pyle, was also working at the mill. Neither knew the other existed. The Cox and Pyle families had separated when Henderson was one year old, hence he could not be expected to recognize nor remember him. (A short biography of Pyle appeared in the Pioneer recently).

#### Acquired Bag of Gold

His employment at the mill ended May 1, 1848. Having acquired a sizeable bag of gold dust, he and nine others started east to find the Great Basin. They vaguely calculated that was where they had gone. On that May day, the group began the climb up the mountain canyons to Pleasant Valley, a distance of 50 miles. Snow was too deep to go farther. They waited nearly a month for the snow to melt. Finally, June 24, their patience exhausted, the men continued the climb up the mountain. After a short distance, they ran into deeper snow.

This delay was more than Captain Browett, Daniel Allen and Henderson could take. They were sure a shorter route existed which would take them over the moun-

tains. Their companions cautioned against taking the short cut. The Indians, they warned, were hostile in that area. But the three head-strong scouts could not be convinced. Fearlessly, they pushed on to meet their doom.

The third night out while making camp, some friendly acting Indians came into camp and asked permission to sleep near the fire. Unaware of treachery, the whites granted their request. Naturally the latter retired in confidence that all was well. After the whites fell asleep the Indians suddenly attacked in a frenzy, killing and striping them of all clothing. The three bodies were buried in a shallow grave. The three bags of gold disappeared into oblivion.

#### Bodies Discovered

Twenty days later, the other seven men, following the trail, accidentally discovered the bodies, carelessly placed in a shallow grave. They accurately estimated the massacre to have taken place, June 27, a momentous date in Mormon history. Since that day, the spot has been aptly named "Tragedy Spring." After giving the victims a better burial, the men continued on to Salt Lake City, arriving October 1.

Seven days before their arrival, the parents of Henderson Cox had arrived in the Valley, eight children strong. These veterans had the unpleasant task of giving the Cox clan the sad news.

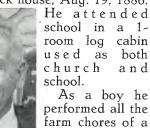
Henderson's father, Jehu Cox, was not crushed by this blow, he had already lost three children, and was destined to lose three more. Jehu lived another 45 years and became Fairview's most respected citizen. Henderson would have been proud to the Cox clan had he lived. Elias, six years younger, became Huntington's first bishop. Isaiah, a Dixie pioneer, became the bishop of Overton, Nevada. His sister Sarah, became the third wife of Hosea Sout, Utah's first attorney general.

Henderson too, would have had a great future but for the savage Indians of Tragedy Spring.



#### Hugh Holdaway

Hugh Holdaway, one of the senior members in regular attendance at the Sons of Utah Pioneer Luncheon Club, was born in Aurora in Sevier County, Utah, in a 2-room rock house, Aug. 19, 1886.



youth on a pio-

neer farm —

Hugh

herding and milking cows, hauling and cutting wood and Holdaway planting and harvesting crops. At 12 years of age he drove one of the wagons that moved a saw mill from the west hills across the valley to the Lost Creek area where he and a friend cut down and trimmed

Salina Canyon.

Since there was no high school in or near Aurora, Hugh went off to Provo to continue his education, enrolling at Brigham Young Academy in the autumn of 1905, with only \$30 to pay for his education. During the off season he worked in the mines at Eureka.

trees for the saw mill. He also

worked on the railroad grade in

At BYU he participated in track and field athletics and became a state champion in the mile run. In a dual meet with the University of Utah he won the mile event, second place in the half mile and third place in the quarter mile. In a meet with Stanford,

Hugh won second place in the 2-mile, the mile and the half-mile.

#### Coaches Creed Haymond

Hugh continued his education at the "Y," receiving his B.A. degree in 1911. He taught at Spring-ville High and coached the basketball and track teams. He developed the amazing Creed Haymond who went on to state and national renown as a sprinter. Later, as coach at Wasatch High in Heber City, he tutored the basbetball team that beat a favored Lehi team on the final night of the state tournament to win third place.

In 1912-13 when John H. Taylor was Church commission of scouting, Hugh organized six successful scout troops in Wasatch County. Later in Ogden he assisted in the administration of scouting in Weber County, organizing the work in Weber, West Weber and North Weber Stakes. When the late Judge George A. Goates became scout executive he said of Hugh's work: "The outstanding leadership of Hugh Holdaway has been an inspiration to me and has made my assignment very much easier.'

Hugh served also as scout leader in the Salt Lake 27th Ward in Salt Lake City where in two years he had 72 scouts; 32 attaining First Class, 21 attaining Eagle rank and every member of the Ram Patrol earning 50 or more merit badges. Five of his boys attended the World Scout Jamboree in London and went from the jamboree on missions for the Church. Joel Richards was bishop of the ward then and J.



Fred Daynes, troop committee chairman.

#### Classic Stone Artist

Retired as a teacher, Hugh turned to his avocation of stone masonry. He furnished the stone for the Idaho Falls Temple, walls and walks; the Beverley Hills Court House, the Bank of California Long Beach Branch and the California National Bank at Hollywood. Many buildings in Utah, California and Nevada have been beautified by his artistry. Presently he is engaged in the production of mobiles for jewelry, cuff links, tie clasps, etc. He has a xylophone made of Brazilian agate, a most outstanding novelty.

While at BYU, Hugh married his classmate sweetheart Pearl Harmer, in the Salt Lake Temple on Sept. 15, 1909. They have reared eight children and now have 35 grandchildren and 38 great grandchildren. They will celebrate their 60th wedding annivrsary in 1969.

The Holdaway pioneer heritage stems from two grandfathers—Edson Whipple, who crossed the plains with the original pioneer company in 1847 and David O. Holdaway, who settled in Provo in 1850, a carpenter who built and managed the Original Provo Woolen Mills.

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#### THE HUTCHINGS MUSEUM DEDICATION

# Governor Speaker At Gala Lehi Ceremonies

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The Lehi John Hutchings Museum of Natural History, which has been open to the public view since the ribbon cutting ceremony, held March 7, 1965, was officially dedicated on Sunday, Sept. 22.

Governor Calvin L. Rampton was the featured guest speaker, and flag ceremonies were directed by Colonel Marvin E. Smith. Among the many who came from a distance for the occasion was the noted sculptor, Avard Fairbanks, who created the bust of John Hutchings which holds a central positions in the museum. This bust was commissioned by the combined women's club members of Lehi.

With some 500 in attendance, Governor Rampton expressed his high acclaim for John Hutchings and his wife and family members.

Band Concert

The dedication program was held in the Lehi Elementary at 4 p.m. preceded by a concert by the 90 members of the Lehi High School band, directed by Paul H. Mortenson.

The opening prayer was offered by President Arnold E. Webb of Lehi Stake Presidency. Mayor Calvin H. Swenson gave the speech of welcome.

Raymond H. Stewart, president of the Board of Trustees, recalled the large number of visitors at the museum since the opening. Serving with President Stewart are Abel J. Ekins, vice president; John L. Hutchings, Lloyd Strasburg and J. Earl Smith board members; with George T. Strasburg, treasurer, and Eunice Hutchings, secretary.

Remarks by John Hutchings, founder and curator, recalled his dream of many years for a proper

place for his collections. This was followed by a vocal solo by J. Ronald Haliday. Attorney Harvard Hinton, former member of the State Legislature, introduced Governor Rampton. Pres. Virgil H. Peterson, in the absence of Pres. Herman C. Goates, who was absent due to an operation, dedicated the museum, with the closing prayer by Dr. Elmo Eddington, former president of the Board of Trustees.

#### Open House

Open house for the public began at 2 p.m. in advance of the band concert. Adding to the occasion was the appearance of some of the ushers in pioneer costumes.

Sincere appreciation is expressed by Mr. and Mrs. Hutchings and the board to all those who participated and aided in the success of the occasion,

## SUP Charter Luncheon Stirs Memories

Fond and cherished memories were revived when charter members of the Salt Lake Luncheon Club, Sons of Utah Pioneers, met on Oct. 1 in the Lion House. It was there that the organization was formed on March 17, 1936.

Gaylen S. Young, who served as SUP president in 1936-37 and also in 1930-40; Joel Richards, national SUP chaplain and T. Roberts Higham, (shown in photo) were among charter members who attended the Oct. 1 luncheon.

It was recalled that as early as 1900, Sen. Reed Smoot attempted to organize a Sons of Utah Pioneers organization but results were not immediately forthcoming. The SUP did not become a reality until 1934. The Luncheon Club was officially chartered May 3, 1936.

Seventy-eight members attended the Oct. 1 luncheon, 57 of whom were shown on a photo displayed, representing the inaugu-

See SUP CHARTER page 11



Deseret News Photo

Oldtimers (l-r), Joel Richards, Gaylen Young and T. R. Higham.

#### Couple of the Month

# **Charming Story Of The Wilford Pratts**

The Sons and daughters of Wilford F. and Lyle Cropper Pratt honored their parents recently at an open house at their home, 2458 Kensington Ave., commemorating their 50th wedding anniversary.

They were married Aug. 21, 1918 and are the parents of two sons, Glenn C. Pratt of Provo, Dr. W. Howard Pratt of Tacoma, Wash., and two daughters, Mrs. Delos R. (Geniel) McAllister of Woodland Hills, Calif., and Mrs. Ned L. (Alene) Mangelson of Torrance, Calif. They have 14 grandchildren. All were present at the reception except Glenn D. Pratt who is serving in the Alaskan-Canadian Mission.

Wilford was born Nov. 6, 1897 at Hinckley, Utah, a son of William Franklin and Elizabeth Tolbert Pratt. His maternal great grandfather, John Pack, arrived in Salt Lake Valley with the first pioneers on July 22, 1847. His paternal great grandfather came to Utah in 1857. His grandfather was William Halbert Pratt who was the first bishop of the Hinckley Ward, and was succeeded by his son William Franklin Pratt who was Wilford's Father.

Academy Athlete

Wilford grew up in Hinckley where he was active in student affairs and in athletics at Millard Academy from which school he graduated in 1917. He attended the University of Utah where he majored in business.

Lyle graduated from Millard Academy in 1917, and Brigham Young University Normal in 1918.

Lyle was born Aug. 22, 1899 at Deseret, Utah to Thomas Waters and Hannah Rogers Cropper. Her maternal grandmother, Hannah Jones Rogers came to Utah in 1847; her paternal grandfather, Theodore Rogers, came to Utah in 1849 among the early pioneers

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and her father Thomas C. Cropper came with his mother, Sobrina Land Cropper in 1856.

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The Pratts lived in Hinckley where they operated The Pratt Mercantile and were active in the LDS. Church auxiliaries, holding offices on ward and stake levels. Each was elected to the Hinckley Town Board and served in other civic capacities.

In 1936 they moved to Nephi, Utah where they purchased the Nephi Mercantile Co. Later they expanded their holdings to stores in Mt. Pleasant, Provo and Salt Lake City. They have engaged in the mercantile business all their married lives and still operate stores in Nephi and Mt. Pleasant.

#### Many Important Positions

In Nephi, Wilford served as superintendent of the Juab Stake YMMIA, was a member of the Juah Stake Sunday School superintendency and filled a stake mission at the Manti Temple, as ordinance worker, along with his wife, Lyle. He is past president of the Nephi Kiwanis Club.

Lyle served as president of the Juab Stake YWMIA, chairman of the LDS Girls Committee and was president of the Juab Stake Relief Society.

In 1952 they moved to Salt Lake City where Wilford served as YMMIA superintendent in the Monument Park Ninth Ward and on the stake YMMIA board. Lyle served as counselor in the YWMIA presidency and the Relief Society presidency of the Monument Park Stake and as an ordinance worker in the Salt Lake Temple.

She and Wilford were called by the First Presidency in 1962 on a two - year genealogical mission.

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Lyle presently is a member of the Relief Society Stake Board and is on the regional board of the Daughters of the Pioneers. Wilford is an active member of the Salt Lake Luncheon Club of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers. He first joined the SUP in Hinckley in 1934 when the William Halbert Pratt Chapter was organized.

The lives of Wilford and Lyle Pratt for the past 50 years have been filled with success and much happiness.

# **Charter Group**

Continued from page 10 ral group. Among these were President George Albert Smith, former Salt Lake City Postmaster Isaac A. Smoot; Marvin O. Ashton, former counselor in the Presiding Bishopric of the Church and LeRoi C. Snow, son of President Lorenzo Snow.

Speaker at the luncheon meeting, Oct. 1 was Harold H. Bennett, president of ZCMI, who told of the founding and development of "America's First Department Store."

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# What The Pilgrims Had To Be Thankful For

IT WAS LITTLE enough to be thankful for, but they were thankful! Even before their ship, the Mayflour, had anchored off Plymouth, the wife of William Bradford, the self - appointed chronicler of the Pilgrims, had fallen into Cape Cod Bay and was drowned. That was only the beginning of their troubles in the new country.

The first Thanksgiving Day in the New World was cold and miserable. The Pilgrims knew nothing about constructing log cabins, for this was a Scandinavian art and unknown to the English.

Their first structure was a common house, but it was used only a short while before it caught fire and burned. The sick who had been sheltered in it were cast out into the cold, and much of their sparce clothing supply was destroyed.

By February of 1621, practically the entire colony was sick. A few of the settlers escaped the illness which was probably a combination of pneumonia and scurvy and these few, mostly the younger couples, as Bradford recorded, had to cook, nurse and clean up for everybody, "doing all the homely and necssaary offices for them which dainty and quesie stomachs cannot endure to have named."

#### Reduced To Half

It took most of the winter to unload the last colonists from the Mayflower with their possessions out in the cold bay. By this time the total of the population had been reduced to half. Only three married couples maintained unbroken families.

That first winter took almost all of the older Pilgrims. By the summer of 1621, only 51 colonists had survived. They were crowded into seven one-room cabins. It was necessary for the younger, tougher

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men to take over. They had to get food but they knew nothing about farming as it would have to be practiced in a soil that, even to this day is thin and flat.

Yet there was still something to be thankful for: They had moved into a vacuum insofar as hostile Indians were concerned. The Patuxet Tribe that had lived around the Plymouth area before the Pilgrims came, had almost all been killed off by the smallpox.

#### A "Cursed" Land

The Massachusetts Bay Indians to the north and the Narragansett Indians to the south regarded the Plymouth country as land that had been cursed. The nearby tribe of Wampanoags, with whom Squanto, a sole remnant of the vanished Patuxet Village, lived, was inclined to be peaceful because they figured they had nothing to lose and perhaps they might get some benefits from the newcomers over the long haul.

Squanto, the last of the Patuxets, was what the Pilgrims had to be thankful for, first of all. He taught Bradford's men how to catch fish, shoot deer and prepare the ground for planting Indian corn. He showed them how to guard the corn hills against the animals that came to dig up the seed. As Bradford Smith, a descendant of William Bradford, has written "without Squanto the Pilgrims would have been but a footnote in American History.

The first Thanksgiving owed more to Holland than to England

for its inspiration. Thinking how lucky the Pilgrims had been to survive that desolate first winter, to avail themselves of Squanto's friendship and knowledge, Bradford recalled that the Dutch were in the habit of celebrating every October 3 (the deliverance of the town of Leyden from the Spaniards) as "The Day Of Leyden" and forthwith injected the attitude of thankfulness into the observance.

#### Uninvited Guests

The "men who came to dinner" almost turned the festive occasion into a catastrophy for the Plymouth people. Bradford had invited Massasoit, the resident chief, along with Squanto and a few of their friends, to share the repast as a mark of friendship. The ten Pilgrim women who had to get up the dinner were completely flabbergasted when Massasoit brought 90 hungy warriors with him. Fortunately the Indians had killed five deer to add to the wild turkeys, the eels, the shellfish and the wild grapes and grape wine provided by the Pilgrims.

This was only the first Thanksgiving. The holiday was observed only sporadically before the Civil War. President Lincoln made it a national holiday in 1863. The ten Pilgrim women who cooked for the forty menfolk and their ninety Indian guests did a tremendous job, one which perhaps has never been equalled in American gastronomical history, considering the hardships and handicaps involved.

So, give thought to them this Thanksgiving season as you sit down to the sumptuous repast that has been provided by deep freezer and supermarket, for you will never see the likes of the Pilgrim women's valor again.



#### 416 WORDS OF INSPIRED CHARM

# Luke's Nativity Story 'The Perfect Narrative'

By Les Goates

IT IS a paradox of literature that the most perfect narrative of all time was written by a physician with no previous renown or acclaim as an author. His name was Luke. His account of the birth of the Lord Jesus is not only the most beloved story in all litertaure but in simplicity, charm and grandeur of expression, it stands out as an exposition from which not a word can be subtracted or added.

The story is found in the first 20 verses of the second chapter of the Gospel according to St. Luke. It is told in only 416 words, but these were enough to give it a greater impact on the hearts of men than any novel, poem or play ever written.

Luke's Nativity Story is the basis of a whole library of music, ranging from the familiar carols such as "Silent Night" to the majestic oratorios like Handel's "The Messiah." For more than 1900 years it has been read and it never gets tiresome.

It has inspired preachers and teachers for centuries and deeply moved statesmen, industrialists, soldiers in combat and little children gathered around the Christmas tree. It has been translated into 1300 languages and dialects and it retains its poetic beauty in all of them.

As the Christmas season nears, as always, the Story of the Birth of Jesus, will be read and sung in millions of homes and churches:

"And It Came to Pass . . ."

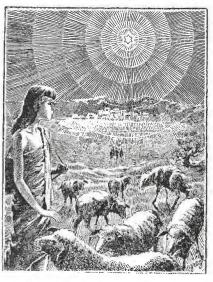
"And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. . . ."

Luke then relates how Joseph and Mary left their home in Nazareth and went up to Bethlehem,

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"... the glory of the Lord ... and they were sore afraid"

home town of their ancestors, to register for the Roman census. It must have been a trying journey for Mary, riding on a donkey since, as the ancient chronicler reports, she was "great with child."

"And so it was that, while they were there, the days were accomplishd that she should be delivered.

"And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn."

#### It Was In The Springtime

How many stirring sermons and inspiring anthems have been rendered on that one text: "... there was no room for them at the inn!"

The first Christmas did not fall on December 25. That date was picked arbitrarily a long time later, in collaboration with certain Roman festivals. It was in the spring (April 6, according to modern revelation, Doctrine & Covenants,

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Sec. 20:1) when the weather was mild enough for travel, and outdoor living, for Luke wrote:

"There were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night."

"And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them. And they were sore afraid.

"And the angel said unto them, fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

#### "Lying In A Manger"

"And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying.

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Modern skeptics, having never heard a choir of angels, quite naturally assume that no one else has ever heard one. But Bibilcal scholars have established Luke as a thorough and reliable reporter and as such would have carefully researched his facts before writing such a story.

As one noted writer on religious themes has said:

"Perhaps if Dr. Luke were here to join in the debate, he would say the singing of the herald angels was audible, then as now, only to those willing to hear it."



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#### Spring City: Most Rural Of The Rural

# Obscure Sanpete Town Rich In Old-Time Charm

By Robert C. Mitchell In The Deseret News

Midway down the state, on U.S. 89, there is a jog in the road and an inconspicuous directional sign. If a traveler misses both, by blinking or looking the other way, he might bypass what could become Utah's Mormon Williamsburg."

Spring City, Sanpete County, has lost its grip on the 20th Century. It is economically and geographically obscure. The obscurity is not only responsible for its sur-

vival, but its charm.

It is a "living museum," where people still reside, but where sagging fences are still where greatgrandfather put them, where many authentic log cabins and log barns are rustically silver through years of weathering, where the town's volunteer firefighters come running, when Mayor John R. Baxter—who "is flirting with 80"—runs to the town hall and pulls a rope to ring an ancient school-type alarm bell.

Spring City is indeed a place where the visitor steps across the city's threshold and looks back over his shoulder at the "future."

A flourishing sheep grazing economy — flocks once totaled nearly a half million animals—has faded. The main road, U.S. 89, no longer passes through town. It misses it by four miles.

#### Children Leave

It is a place where native sons and daughters must move away to find a livelihood. Parents and grandparents remain and Spring City is an old city in several ways.

But it is ironic that the same sagging economy that isolated the town also is responsible for its survival. Spring City hasn't adopted "city ways" of the bulldozer

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It is the town's, or more appropriately the village's, "living museum" quality that now attracts university economists and area planners. They see tourism as a latent possibility for the area.

#### 'Unique' Place

Utah Heritage Foundation officials point to it as a "jewel of architecture" — an intact pioneer Mormon community that patiently waits the touch of cautious preservationists who can enhance its time wrought patina.

"It is one of the most unique and picturesque places I've ever seen in the United States," said James C. Massey,, chief of the Historic American Buildings Survey, National Park Service.

#### 463 Residents

Mr. Massey recently toured the tiny town of 463 people and made some recommendations for it. He was accompanied by Dr. Everett L. Cooley, director of the Utah State Historical Society; Robert Bliss, president of the Utah Heritege Foundation and head of the University of Utah department of agriculture; Ted Smith, architect and acting director of the Heritage Foundation, and other interested persons.

"I can almost visualize this as a complete park, with resident caretakers, and possibly rooms for tourists. It should be preserved for several hundred years, or until it fades into a natural oblivion," Mr. Massey said.

"The town as a whole is architecturally extraordinary, and it is sad to see it in a 'dying' condition."

#### Settled In 1852

Spring City was settled by the James Allred family and others sent there in 1852 by President

See SPRING CITY next page



Spires of majestic stone chapel of 1902 dominate Spring City scene.

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#### Spring City

# Rural Charm In Utah Town

continued from preceding page

Brigham Young of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. It was first called Allred's Settlement, then Little Denmark - for the influx of settlers of that extraction—then Spring Town. After incorporation in 1870, it became Spring City.

There are still many springs in the area. One, reportedly used by the Indians and first settlers, still flows for public use. A marker, through which the spring water is now piped, was placed by the Daughters of Utah Pioneers.

The settlement was abandoned during the Walker War, and Indians burned it in 1854. Settlers didn't return until 1859, and intermittent Indian harassment continued until the early 1870s.

#### Built In '70s

Proportionately, the town possibly has more unaltered or slighty altered dressed stone buildings than any other Utah town. There are also frame and adobe homes, chicken coops and other structures. Most buildings date prior to the 1880.

Like many other buildings the huge 1899 brick and stone public school, with its spiral metal fire escape and bell cupola, with bell intact, is boarded up.

The steepled limestone meeting house of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, built in 1902 on lines of an earlier style, is still used.

After settlers reclaimed the townsite in 1859, they were joined the following year by their all-time most illustrious resident - Elder Orson Hyde — a member of the Council of the Twelve.

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#### THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements For the Fiscal Years Ended 31 July 1968 and 1967

Tot the Fiscal Tears Ended 51 July 1900	and 1707	
Cash on Hand and in Banks as at 1 August 1967 & 66 Total Receipts — Listed Below	9,578,49	1966-1967 \$10,141.22 8,791.79
Total Cash on Hand plus Receipts	\$19,790.51 8,320.63	\$18,933.00 8,720.98
Cash on Hand as at 31 July 1968 and 67	\$11,469.88	\$10,212.02
Represented by Cash in Banks as Follows: Zions First National Checking Account	2,451.00 3,564.93	1,895.40 2,338.61 3,401.45 2,576.56
Total Cash in Banks Receipts as Above:	\$11,469.88	\$10,212.02
National Dues Members-at-Large Dues Contribution — Arley F. Savage Advertising of The Pioneer Sale of The Pioneer Copies Prior Years Encampment Profit Interest on Savings Account Interest on Life Membership Account President's Dinner Lapel Pins	538.00 50.00 2,396.65 45.00 433.36 379.95 243.03 103.00	\$ 4,181.00 465.00 None 2,707.80 43.50 132.23 376.58 251.67 105.00 None
Total Receipts for National Office	100.00 2,00	\$ 8,262.78 100.00 4.00 425.00 None
Total	\$ 9,578.49	\$ 8,791.78
Disbursements as Above: Advertising Commissions—The Pioneer Salaries Payroll Taxes Net Encampment Host Chapter Shares. The Pioneer Printing & Mailing Costs. Office Expenses Travel Expenses Travel Expenses Telephone Chapter Presidents Dinner New Chapters Expense Tragedy Springs Contribution Pins & Awards  Totals for National Office Life Membership Dues Chapter Dues	2,353.00 103.45 108.34 3,244.96 456.04 325.00 297.45 191.13 21.32 17.50 175.49 7,800.01 100.00 2.00	\$ 714.88 2,389.50 103.62 None 3,203.19 573.22 420.00 279.29 256.07 None 50.00 157.21 \$ 8,146.98 100.00 4.00
Administration Building Rentals San Diego Mormon Battalion Monument Fund	345.00	470.00 None
Total Disbursements		\$ 8,720.98

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The exhibit will illustrate the joining of the rail with the golden spike on May 10, 1869. Two locomotives representing the Central Pacific and the Union Pacific, will be placed on tracks near the monument.

A 100-ton crane lifted the monument to its new location on September 12. It was erected in 1912 by the Southern Pacific Company, and rises 11 feet above the ground and is set 6½ feet below ground.

Preparatory to the moving, National Parks Service dug a trench eight feet deep and three feet wide around the base of the monumnt. Another hole was dug 15 feet square and seven feet deep at the new location.

Report of Income and Disbursements; September 1, 1967 Through August 15, 1968 NATIONAL SOCIETY SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS				
UTAH PIONEER VILLAGE and RAILROAD (COF				
Total on hand and in bank as of September 1, 1967 (Utah Pioneer Village & Railroad Museum)		\$ 381.35		
RECEIPTS & DEPOSITS for period Sept. 1, 1967 through	August 15,	1968.		
$p_{ic}$	oneer Village	RR Museum		
Cash donated by H. A. Sorensen.	.,	I(I( IMaseam		
Cash donated by South East Furniture Co	9136.01			
Cash donated by South East Furniture Co Pioneer Village admissions	22055.70			
Railroad Museum admissions		\$ 1213.71		
Rental of facilities Pioneer Village	405.00			
Other Misc. Income (H. A. Sorensen)	1847.73			
Total on hand and deposited to account for:		\$ 1213.71		
DISBURSEMENTS for Period Sept. 1, 1967 thru August 15	5, 1968.			
Equipment and relics	\$ 1492.50			
Payment on loans and notes	6000.00			
Salaries & Wages Gross Taxes Net				
Pioneer Village and RR\$8829.17 \$1122.41 \$7706.76 Other salaries and wages paid by South East Furniture	\$ 6627.07	1079.68		
Other salaries and wages paid by South East Furniture	5422.50			
(Watchman, Receptionist, others)	1813.51			
Fans, Brochures, folders, gifts, for adv Heat, Light, Water, Sewer service	1013.71	132.63		
Insurance		132.03		
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Office postage, printing				
Maps. Pictures. Signs. Displays	527.60			
Repairs, maintenance, Gardens, Grounds	2953.07	123.56		
TV's, Parades, and other entertainment	936.67			
SuppliesTaxes, Licenses, Payroll and Sales Taxes	774.13	75.45		
Taxes, Licenses, Payroll and Sales Taxes.	1515.32	62.46		
Telephone and Telegraph	253.27 1034.25	63.46		
Land lease				
Mdse. purchased for resale, souvenirs, pop				
Other unclassified expense	47.63			
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Total disbursements for period	\$37099.50	\$ 1474.79		
Net balance		(261.08)		
Total on hand and in the bank as of Aug. 15, 1968	185.21			
Report submitted by				
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# Colorful And Picturesque Places In Utah

By T. Mack Woolley

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Mr. Woolley

uplifts: 'The Wasatch as a distinct mountain range ends at Mount Nebo and it is here overlapped by a chain of plateau-uplifts which extends outhward. These uplifts are distinguished by their tabular character."

There are three ranges of High Plateaus: (1) West Range is comprised of the Pah Vant at the north, the Tushar in the middle, and the Markagunt at the south: (2) the Sevier Valley separates the western from the middle range which consists of Sevier Plateau on the north and the Paunsaugant on the south; and (3) Grass Valley and East Fork Sevier River are between the second and third ranges, which latter begins much farther north than the others: the lofty Wasatch Plateau overlapping the south end of the Wasatch Range, Fish Lake Plateau, Awapa, and the south member, which is the grandest of all, the Aguarius.

Horseshoe Canyon (Daggett) of the Green River is just south of the Wyoming line; Flaming Gorge joins on the north. The river describes a horseshoe bow extending southeastward which suggested its name to Major Powell. Dellenbaugh describes the sequence of the first canyons of the Green thus: "Flaming Gorge is the gateway, "Horseshoe" the vestibule, and Kingfisher the antechamber of the whole grand series."

Huntsville (Weber) is a farming village in the upper Ogden

River Valley — Ogden's Hole in the trapper era, where the voyagers, trappers, and Indian associates held their rendezvous. The Mormon village was named to honor Captain Jefferson Hunt of the Mormon Battalion in the Mexican War.

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Hurricane Hill in Washington County, was the original application of the name Hurricane; afterwards it was extended into a cluster of four distinct applications. The name was applied to a hill near a gulch, one of the few passes up the Hurricane Ledge, by a party of Mormon pioneers headed by Erastus Snow who were exploring for a road route, when they were overtaken by a severe storm. The word hurricane is derived from Spanish "huracan" original-

ly a cyclone, now a gale of unusual violence.

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Hurricane (Washington), second largest town in this county, was settled in 1906. It is located on the south side of Rio Virgen, across from La Verkin, at the west base of Hurricane Ledge or Terrace. The town was named from that of Hurricane Ledge, which phsylographic feature was named nearly one-half century earlier. Hurricane is the center of a productive fruit-growing and turkey-raising district, the existence of which is the fruit of a canal eight miles long carved largely from solid rock at the turn of the century to convey Virgin River water onto productive land.



NEW OFFICERS of Temple Fork Chapter, Sons of Utah Pioneers, include Earl A. Hansen, Logan, center front, president; Victor Carlson, Logan, seated left, 1st vice president; and Hubert C. Ward, seated right, second vice president; standing are, from left, Wesley Reese, Logan, Newell Winget, Logan, and Earl Gordon, Smithfield, board members. Mr. Gordon is immediate past president. Absent for the photo were Roland Mortensen, Trenton, and Douglas Larsen, Logan.

# Earl Olson Receives High Honors From **Historical Society**

Earl E. Olson, assistant Church historian, has been honored by the Utah State Historical Society for outstanding contributions to western history. Honored also were Dr. Austin E. Fife of Utah State University and Larry Haslam of the Logan High Schol faculty. The wards were presented by Dr. Everett Cooley.

Mr. Olson also was given an award by the Mormon History Association at Santa Clara by Dr. T. Edgar Lyon, for distinguished service in Mormon history. Earl is the grandson of Andrew Jenson, pioneer Church historian for many years, whose amazing research in the interest of the Church, is appreciated more now than when he was on the job at the Church Administration Building.

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#### Mormon Battalion Monument Fund Benefits

#### Sugar House SUP Chapter And Pioneer Village Cited By Council

The Salt Lake Council for International Visitors has cited the Sugar House Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers and Pioneer Village for "meritorious service" during the 1968 tourist season.

Horace A. Sorensen, founder and director of Pioneer Village and Rollow C. Kimball, president of the Sugar House SUP Chapter, accepted a plaque presented by L. Burt Bigler of the Visitors Council, Sept. 23, at a banquet and program given at the Crystal Heights L.D.S. Ward Cultural Center.

The affair was also in the nature of a benefit for the Mormon Battalion Monument Fund now being promoted by the National Society Sons of the Utah Pioneers. The SUP is raising funds to build a monument at the San Diego 200th Anniversary Exposition next summer on the site of the proposed Church Visitors Center. It will commemorate the Mormon Battalion's march from Leavenworth, Kan., through Arizona to San Diego, and then to Salt Lake City in the 1840's. The structure will cost approximately \$18,000.

At the dinner-program a group of Brigham Young University folks dancers, recently returned from a 10-week tour of Europe, entertained SUP members and their partners. The dancers portrayed the battalion trek, longest infantry march in military history; Indian ritual, vigorous frontier life and New England elegance, in a series of colorful and fascinating numbers. Ken Larsen, member of the troupe, entertained with a live snake.

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Dance director Mary Bee Jensen, left, introduces Horace A. Sorensen, founder and director of Pioneer Village, to BYU's American Folk Dancers.

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#### SUP Prize Story of 1968

# Starving It Out

#### Installment II

By Olive M. Petersen

(continued from Sept. edition)

FATHER, having gone to the Boise Valley to find work, since the heavy snows prevented his working on our place in Long Valley, wrote mother that he was working for a farmer doing fairly well.

By that time we were really short of rations and all our neighbors were in the same fix. Mother had a little side bacon which she would dice and brown and, using the water the potatoes were boiled in, make gravy to eat with our graham bread. When the bacon was all gone, she thickened the potato water and we still had gravy, potatoes and graham bread.

Mother was cheerful and didn't complain. She sort of made a joke of it and we children, not realizing the seriousnesss of the situation and being ravenous little animals, ate and were happy.

Grandpa had cut down on Old Brownie's hay, but now it was all gone and she was thin and so weak that we had to help her on her feet in the morning. The snow was melted on the south hillsides

#### About The Author

Olive M. Petersen, winner of the SUP prize story contest of 1968, is a resident of Brigham City and a native of Box Elder County, having been reared and educated in that area.

She served with her husband, Fred L., county assessor, as chairman of the March of Dimes campaign, and has been active in civic, church and PTA affairs for a number of years. The Petersens are the parents of four children and 16 grand-children.

Mrs. Petersen remembers her pioneer grandparents and has deep appreciation for their faithfulness, endurance and amazing accomplishments in the face of almost overwhelming adversities.

but the old grass had burned in a prairie fire.

"We've just got to save Old Brownie," Mother cried. She and Grandma would save every potato peel and each morning Mother would take them and an armful of straw from our straw mattresses to her. My brothers, Ira, twelve, an Henry, eight, would search the hill-sides for a few handfulls of bunch grass that had escaped the fire—so by hook or crook, we saved Old Brownie.

Mr. Prescott came to see how we were getting along. He didn't have any flour, but he did have quite a supply of potatoes and, as ours were almost gone, he gave us a sackful.

The Grouse Arrive

One day the boys, while searching for grass for Brownie, wandered up to the timbeline and learned that grouse had arrived and were feeding on seeds under pines. They rushed home all excited.

"Mother!" Ira shouted, all out of breath. "Grouse are here! If I had a gun I'm sure I could get some of them."

Mother thought it possible. Mr. Barker, our neighbor, had a shot-gun and after convincing himself that Ira knew which end of the gun would shoot, he lent it to him. Thereafter, we added grouse to

our menu of potatoes and graham

Mother wrote father, but didn't hear from him. The snow was now gone from the valley. Gone, too, was the graham from our larder. and mother didn't know where to get more. The sloughs were filled with samas-small wild onions—which we gathered, and mother would cook them with diced potatoes in the grouse broth and we would have soup.

Mother tried to make a garden. 'Effie,' she would say, 'will you look after the little ones and wash the dishes?' Of course, I would. It made me feel important to be useful. About that time, mother took to wearing her sunbonnet in the house—said the light made her eyes water. I know now that she didn't want a bunch of frightened children—which she would have



Olive M. Petersen . . . authors prize story

had, if we had known the water was tears which she couldn't hold back.

Father Returns

A few days later, one of us spied father as he appeared over a small ridge. We ran to meet him, shouting like a bunch of Indians on the warpath.

Ira took a small pack off father's shoulders and be gathered little sister May in his arms and with all of our clinging in his arms and legs, all laughing and talking, we reached mother.

reached mother.

"Billy! Billy!" She just threw her arms around his neck, and cried her heart out.

We were awed into silence, for mother wasn't a crying woman, and we couldn't understand why she cried when she was so happy.

We were so excited we wanted to share the good news. The boys went to tell our neighbors—who, in turn told their neighbors. The news spread like wildfire —"Blankinship is home with a load of flour!"

I rushed to grandpa's. "Daddy's home and he brought some flour!" I yelled. They came home with me, and Mr. Barker and his two boys came home with Ira and Henry.

Rumors Of Stravation
"I didn't get the letter Emma sent," father said, "but I did hear a rumor that people were starving in Long Valley. I immediately bought flour and hired a farmer to

See STARVING, next page

#### Chapter Eternal

#### Lincoln F. Hanks Dies

Lincoln F. Hanks, 62, prominent church and civic leader and members of the Salt Lake Luncheon Club, Sons of Utah Pioneers, died Oct. 9 in a Salt Lake City hospital of natural causes. He was a lumber company executive, and former president of the Salt Lake Stake and the Gulf States Mission, in addition to many other civic, industrial and religious positions.

Mr. Hanks was also a high counselor and chairman of the Salt Lake Region of the Church Welfare Program. He was also YMMIA superintendent in the Nineteenth Ward and in Capitol Hill Ward, Sunday School superintendent and administrator of the Primary Childrens' Hospital. A member of the Salt Lake City School Board for six years he was also a member of the Salt Lake Area Vocational School Board and at the time of his death he was employed by the Church Employment Bureau.

Following his academic school training at West High School and the University of Utah, Mr. Hanks became associated with the Noal Lumber Co. and became president and director of the Intermountain Lumber Dealers Assn. and president of the Salt Lake Retail Lumber Dealers Assn. He was associated with the Beehive State Bank as public relations officer, and was a high priest in Bountiful 13th Ward.

Lincoln Hanks was born Nov. 10, 1905 in Salt Lake City, a son of Stanley Alonzo and Maude Frame Hanks. He married Emma Ashton in the Salt Lake Temple, May 15, 1928.

Survivors include his widow, two sons and three daughters, Lincoln Dale Hanks, Calgary, Alta., Canada; Mrs. Blaine (Emma Dianne) Whipple, Mrs. J. Ralph (Marlene) McQuiston, both Salt Lake City; Mrs. Joseph R. (Jeannette Ashton) Smith, Bountiful; and Paul Ashton Hanks, Glendora, Calif., and 19 grandchildren.

Also surviving are five brothers and sisters, Mrs. LaMar (Maurine) Busath, Mrs. Jay (Jeannette) Sorenson, Mrs. Legrand (Beulah) Olsen, S. Bruse Hanks, and Elder Marion D. Hanks, Assistant to the Council of The Twelve, all of Salt Lake City.

Funeral services were held Oct. 11 in the Bountiful 13th Ward Chapel. Burial was in the Salt Lake City Cemetery.

# Starving It Out In Long Valley

Continued from preceding page

haul it into the valley,, praying all the while that the mountain passes had been cleared. As we neared the snow line, we met several men with horses. They had fought their way through the snow with the idea of packing flour into the valley."

"I dismissed the farmer, packed the flour on the horses and started back across the mountain pass. It was a heartbreaking job for both horses and men. After crossing the Payette River on a ferry, I hired a farmer to haul the flour the remaining 35 miles, and the men with their horses turned back to bring in more supplies."

About three miles from home, father was stopped by the raging Goldfork River. There was no bridge—only a fallen log for a foot bridge. In desperation father slung part of a sack of flour across his shoulders, crossed over on the log and hurried home.

We were all spellbound as we listened to the story and my heart was nearly bursting with pride. I considered father a real rero. I

didn't realize then that the part mother played was as heroic or more so.

Mother prepared a wonderful feast. We had the usual boiled potatoes and she made dumplings and real gravy with the grouse. Best of all were the delicious brown fluffy biscuits and a jar of delicious peach preserves that the farmer's wife gave father when he started for home.

As you might guess, father had plenty of help carrying the flour across the Goldfork River the next morning. But it taught us to be sure to have enough provisions to last through a long, hard winter.

(Taken from a story by Effie Estes.)

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Elder Jenson built the vault-like library to house his stacks of newspapers, magazines, books, both Mormon and anti-Mormon, and programs of the historic old Salt Lake Theater. He scarcely ever missed a show at the classic "Cathedral of the Desert" as the famous old showplace was called.

Walls poured entirely with cement and with floor and roof supported by iron railroad ties, it was quite a curiosity in 1907. Then there was the all-iron door, so heavy a special frame-work had to be constructed to hold it up. The fire - proof idea was rampant in those days.

Pieces of granite chips were poured in with the cement.

#### Kept Everything

The roof was never quite rainproof even though tar paper was used time and time again. It leaked frequently, but not on the north end where the devout chronicler kept his most valuable materials. The historian (my dedicated father) even kept every letter, placing them in cardboard boxes. The stamps alone would make a rare collector's item.

The front room, with its potbellied stove was the office. There Elder Jenson would work early and late but never missed his stint at the Historians Office. He travelled over a million miles in his quest for Church information. This reporter, along with Brother Parley P. Jenson and sister, now Mrs. Eva J. Olson, near 80, were sometimes privileged to go along with the noted traveler and lend assistance from time to time.

#### The Relic Collection

The Andrew Jenson relic collection is now housed with the SUP and the DUP.

From his diary comes this description of the place:

"În the spring of 1907, I built a fire-proof vault on the rear end of my lot. It is 17 x 27 ft. Walls were built of cement and the roof and ceiling rest on iron railroad ties. I moved my library from my home into the vault in June. Pres. Joseph F. Smith, Anthon H. Lund, Rudger Clawson, Joseph E. Taylor and Nephi L. Morris and their wives were present at the dedication on Dec. 11. Pres. Morris dedicated the museum which was added, in Dec. 1937."

#### YOUTH IS IN THE HEAD

"How," I asked a friend of mine, "do you stay so young? Eighty-two!" We had been sitting in the perfectly kept apartment in which she lives alone, eating the buns she had made for the occasion and discussing international

affairs, fashions, ideas—not children, grandchildren, and the neighbors.

"It's all in my head," she laughed. "When I was four I was put in complete charge of my younger sister. Folks said, 'Alice is so young to be given so much responsibility.'

"When I was nine I went to work by the day. Folks said, 'Alice is so young to be doing the work of a woman.'

I've always thought of myself as being young. Now I think, 'Alice is so young to be eighty-two!' "

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# Chapter Eternal

#### Norman V. Watkins

Norman Victor Watkins, member of the Box Elder Chapter, Sons of the Utah Pioneers, died Aug. 20 in a Brigham City hospital of an apparent heart failure. He was 72.

Mr. Watkins was born April 14, 1896 at Beaver Dam, Box Elder County, to Joseph H. and Lydia Ella Hancock Watkins. He married Nola Bowring June 28, 1917 in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple. He received a teacher's certificate from the old Brigham Young College in Logan and taught at Portage and Corinne.

He was active in athletics, being chosen all-state honor player in high school and he was a coach throughout his teaching career. He was also coach of the erstwhile renowned Brigham City Peaches Baseball Club.

A high priest in the Box Elder Stake, he had held high positions in the priesthood quorums and auxiliaries and was especially skilled as a teacher and leader of

In the business field, Mr. Watkins was owner-operator of the Watkins Real Estate Agency in Brigham City for more than 20 years. He is survived by his widow, four sons, three brothers, two sisters and 12 grandchildren.

The funeral was held Aug. 23 in the Brigham City Third Ward Chapel. Burial was in the Brigham City Cemetery.

#### Edward Bert Phippen

Edward Bert Phippen, member of the Salt Lake Luncheon Club of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, died of natural causes, Oct. 6 in a Salt Lake City rest home. He was widely known throughout the Intermountain West a sassistant director of the old Deseret Gym where he accumulated a vast following of friends for his kind consideration of all who came there.

"Bert," as he was affectionately known to most people, was born May 27, 1879, in Salt Lake City to Sylvester S. and Mary Jane Brim Phippen. He married Lizzie Atkinson, Sept. 26, 1906 in the Salt Lake Temple. She died Dec. 13, 1943.

Mr. Phippen was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and held several positions in the auxiliary and priesthood organizations. He was formerly secretary of the high priests quorum in Ensign Stake. Following his retirement he became an active temple ordinance worker.

He is survived by son, daughter: Arthur E., Mrs. Wilford D. (Dora) Gygi, both of Salt Lake City, six grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. The funeral was held Oct. 9 and burial was in the Salt Lake City Cemetery.

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#### 1947 Trekkers Elect Giles 1968-69 Leader

Parley P. Giles was elected president of the 1947 Centennial Trekkers at their annual reunion at the SUP Pioneer Village on Oct. 3. Associate leaders chosen were Ray Alston, Warren Can-non and Willard R. Smith. Ralph S. Smith was named secretary.

Steven Baird, architect for Nauvoo Restoration, Inc., gave an illustrated lecture on what has been done in Nauvoo. He reported that the historic old stone quarry will be converted into a marine harbor where large boats can land off the Mississippi and a new highway will bring the tourist traffic into the historic city where the Church plans to build a magnificent tourist and visitors' center.

S. Richard Keddington presided at the gathering. A large turn-out of SUP members crossed the plains 100 years after their ancestors broke the trail, except that the '47 trekkers went by covered auto instead of covered wagon.

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